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DATA PROCESSING 22

Prerequisite - None

Objectives:

1. To provide an introduction to unit record and electronic computer data processing.
2. To familiarize the students with the terms and routines of data processing and what the worker in an automated office needs to know.
3. To acquaint students with data processing procedures and concepts; manual, mechanical and electrical.
4. To develop a basic competence in the application of systems and in elementary programming of electro-mechanical and electronic data processing equipment.
5. To provide career guidance and background information for students who may wish to enter the field or proceed to advanced study.

NOTE - Students can be introduced to the machines available but it is not intended that Data Processing 22 be a machine operator's course

Scope

I. INTRODUCTION

- Purchasing Routine
 - Departmental Requisition
 - Stockroom Requisition
 - Purchase Order
 - Incoming Purchase Invoice
- Stock Department Routines
 - Filing Departmental Requisitions
 - Customers' Mail Orders
 - Perpetual Inventory
 - Physical Inventory
 - Receiving Shipments of Goods
- Sales Order Routines
 - Sales Invoice
 - Credit Invoice
 - Credit Approval
 - Shipping Department Invoice
 - Customers' Ledger Cards
 - Preparation of Statements
- Payroll Routines
 - Time Cards
 - Overtime
 - Withholding Deductions
 - Cheques

- Business Reports

Inventory Transaction Listing
Stock Status Summary
Sales Analysis Summary
Financial Reports, (Profit and Loss, etc.)

- Business Routines

Demonstration of repetitive nature of business routines
Projects involving the use of same information many times
The "WHY" of Data Processing

II. DEVELOPMENT OF OFFICE AUTOMATION

- The Data processing cycle
- Automation in simple office tasks
- The keysort process and the pegboard
- The invention of the code
- The growing importance of automation in data processing
- The automated data processing cycle
- Two common automated systems
- Common - language machines
- What the worker in an automated office needs to know

III. THE TABULATING SYSTEM

- Recording numeric information on cards
 - The tabulating system of processing data
 - The standard punched card
 - Recording numeric information on the card
 - Numeric codes
 - First steps in card planning
 - Introduction to the key-punch machine
- Recording alphabetic information on cards
 - Zone punching area
 - Recording the letters of the alphabet
 - Planning cards for recording alphabetic information
 - Correcting errors made in card punching
 - Preparation of card layouts
 - Preparation of drum card for key-punch and verifier
 - Exercises on key-punch and verifier for all students
- Processing data by the tabulating system
 - Steps in the tabulating system
 - The sorter and the sorting process
 - The collator
 - The interpreter
 - The reproducer
 - The accounting machine
 - The calculating process
 - The control panel
 - Programming the processing of data by the tabulating system

It is not intended to go into control panel functions in the above section. Functions of the machines should be discussed in general.

IV. ELECTRONIC COMPUTER SYSTEM OF DATA PROCESSING

- Introduction

- Recent computer improvements
- Digital and analog computers
- Steps in the electronic computer system
- Batch processing; random processing
- Units that comprise the electronic computer system
- Magnetic tape code
- Binary code
- Binary code for digits
- Binary code for letters
- Parity check
- Business forms combined with magnetic tape
- Magnetic ink forms as input media
- Electronic data processing in banks
- Converters

- Processing Data by the Electronic Computer System

- Computer memory
- What the computer can do
- Computer words and addresses
- Instruction format

-Planning an electronic computer program

- Defining the problem
- Preparing the program steps to solve the problem
- Preparing a block diagram of the steps in the program
- Coding and assembling the program
- Testing the program
- A sample program using symbolic coding
- The computer applied to inventory control
- Summary

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